

City Manager's Office: Hermosa Beach City Council Meeting Updates

Updated 11/17/17

A brief summary of important City Council updates discussed during the Nov. 14, 2017 regularly scheduled meeting are listed below:

2018 Impact Level III Special Events & Recommendation

- City Council approved the following 2018 Impact Level III Special Events as recommended by the Parks, Recreation and Community Resources Commission:
 - The Hermosa Beach Triathlon on Friday, June 22 Sunday, June 24 on Pier Plaza and various roads
 - The AAU Junior National Beach Volleyball Championships on Monday, July 9 -Saturday, July 14

Adult Use of Marijuana Act

- City Council approved in a 5-0 decision the Planning Commission's recommendation to create an ordinance amending the Hermosa Beach Municipal Code to ban commercial cannabis activities in the City (retail sale, manufacturing, cultivation and delivery).
 - The ordinance does not prohibit the personal and/or medicinal growth of up to six marijuana plants
 - Residents who need or require medicinal marijuana will continue to have access through their caretakers

South Bay Bike Share Program

- City Council voted not to move forward at this time with an ordinance that would permit bike-share programs to operate in Hermosa Beach but instead:
 - Directed staff to continue to work with neighboring communities on a regional approach with a strong consideration to recognizing and working to mitigate the negative impacts new bike share programs would have on our longstanding traditional bicycle businesses that are locally operated
 - Council recognized that further discussions are needed and must include bringing bike-share representatives, cycling community, as well as traditional bike-rental operators

Green Building and Sustainability Incentives Program

This agenda item has been moved to be discussed in 2018

Future Programming & Management of the Community Theatre

- Council approved further engagement with Sanford Ventures for management and programming of the Community Theatre
 - City staff will lead further discussions with Sanford Ventures

 Council also voted to form a subcommittee to work with the City Manager and Sanford; item to be further discussed at Nov. 28th Council meeting

Purchase of Portable & Mobile Radios for Police Department

- Council authorized allocation of \$732,949 for the purchase of new equipment for PD; this purchase allows the City to not only continue but to further enhance its communications with our regional partners of the South Bay Regional Communications Center (RCC) as they also upgrade their technology. All RCC members received a substantial discount (40%+) on the equipment purchase
- Council had authorized in recent years putting funds into an equipment replacement fund knowing that system upgrades were inevitable, to accommodate the large but necessary purchase

Holiday Parking Program

City Council approved free holiday parking on all silver-post meters from Monday, Dec. 4th, 2017 – Monday, Dec. 25th, 2017 within posted meter time limits. However, subsequent to the decision, the City Manager decided to extend the program by adding three additional days. The program will now begin on Friday, December 1st. This will coincide with the holiday tree lighting ceremony, scheduled for Sunday, December 3rd

THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED CITY COUNCIL MEETING IS TUESDAY, NOV. 28th at 7PM.

Questions or comments? Contact the City Manager Sergio Gonzalez Monday through Thursday, 7AM- 6PM at (310) 318-0216. You many also email the City Manager at sgonzalez@hermosabch.org.